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DATE: January 6, 2003  
TO: Anadromous Fish Committee (AFC)  
FROM: Gary James, chair  for  
SUBJECT: REVISED Draft Action Notes for the December 18, 2002 AFC Meeting

**If there are no objections within five days, these actions will be considered final.**

**AFC Meeting  
December 18, 2002  
CBFWA Office, Portland, Oregon**

REVISED Draft Action Notes

**Attendees:** Doug Taki (SBT) and Tom Iverson (CBFWA)  
**By Phone:** Gary James (CTUIR, chair), John Palensky (NMFS, vice-chair), David Johnson (WDFW), Pete Hassemmer (IDFG), and Bruce Schmidt (PSMFC)  
**Time** Objective 1. FY 2003 Renewal Process --%  
**Allocation:** Objective 2. Rolling Province Review and Subbasin Summaries 70%  
Objective 3. FY 2002 Adjustments 10%

**ITEM 1: Review and Approve Agenda**

The AFC reviewed the agenda. John Palensky provided a “heads up” for Project Number 198331900, New Marking and Monitoring Techniques for Fish. When this proposal was submitted in the Mainstem and Systemwide Rolling Province Review Process, it submitted a “best guess” budget estimate. The estimates do not cover the full costs needed now that the COE has finalized their design of ladder modifications. This project will be pursuing \$200,000 to \$400,000 of additional funding for FY 2003.

**ACTION:** The agenda was approved as written.

**ITEM 2: Presentation to NWPPC on Mainstem Amendment Recommendations**

The NWPPC has offered the fish and wildlife managers time on the January 14-15, 2003 agenda for presentations on biological impacts of their proposed Mainstem Amendment. The CBFWA Members decided to combine the Anadromous Fish and Resident Fish presentations.

The presentations will focus on the biological needs of all fish. No RFC members or salmon managers were present today that will be participating in the presentation. There will be a meeting on December 20 to further discuss the presentation and formal response to the NWPPC Mainstem Amendment.

**ACTION:** No action was taken on this item.

**ITEM 3: Nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair of AFC**

Pete Hassemer was nominated for Chair of AFC. No nominations were received for vice-chair. Pete agreed to accept the nomination under the condition that his term would begin with the next AFC meeting.

We will be looking for nominations for vice-chair at the next AFC meeting.

**ACTION:** The AFC elected Pete Hassemer as chair beginning with the next AFC meeting.

**ITEM 4: Project Review Request: Project Number 30010, Canada-US Shelf Salmon Survival Study, and Project Number 30007, an Acoustic Tracking Array for Studying Ocean Survival and Movements of Columbia River Salmon**

The draft project reviews for these projects were provided prior to today's meeting. The group discussed the reviews and agreed that they were consistent with the CBFWA Mainstem and Systemwide Draft Province Work Plan. A transmittal letter should be drafted that emphasizes the level of priority of these two projects (low) and both the letter and reviews should be forwarded to MMG for approval.

**ACTION:** The AFC agreed to have Tom Iverson draft a transmittal letter and forward their recommendations for Project Numbers 35064 (30007) and 35065 (30010) to MMG.

**ITEM 5: Discussion to Establish CBFWA Requirements for the Metadata Desired by the ISRP for the PTAGIS Project Funding**

The AFC reviewed a draft letter to the NWPPC recommending not to require extensive metadata be stored at PTAGIS. The data would be expensive to capture and difficult to manage. The current APRE process may be providing the information that the ISRP desires.

**ACTION:** The AFC agreed to move the letter to MMG for approval.

**ITEM 6: Update on FY 2003 Start of Year Budget**

Tom Iverson provided an update on the Start of Year budget. BPA and NWPPC staffs are currently reviewing accrual estimates for each project. CBFWA staff has been present for some of the discussion. BPA has stated that carry over will be eliminated in FY 2003 and that their use of capital in FY 2002 totaled less than \$8 million. This has created a situation where nearly \$40-60 million will have to be cut from the FY 2003 budget. The NWPPC is currently considering whether to assist BPA in this process or not.

**ITEM 7: Mainstem and Systemwide Province Project Review Process**

Tom Iverson provided an update on the NWPPC project selection process. The NWPPC is currently waiting for public comment and comment from the federal action agencies regarding the Mainstem and Systemwide projects. In January, the NWPPC staff will meet with project sponsors and begin their budget balancing exercise for the Mainstem and Systemwide projects.

**ITEM 8: Next Meeting**

The AFC meeting scheduled for **January 15, 2003** has been **cancelled**.

The next AFC meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2003 from 1-4 pm in Portland, Oregon.